

CHAPTER III.

POPULATION.¹Chapter III.
Population.Census Details,
1872-1881.

ACCORDING to the 1881 census the population of the district was 421,840 or 107·85 to the square mile. Of these Hindus numbered 382,997 or 90·79 per cent; Musalmáns 24,282 or 5·75 per cent; Christians 14,509 or 3·43 per cent; Jews 25; Pársis 17; and Others 10. The percentage of males on the total population was 52·86 and of females 47·13. The corresponding returns for 1872 were a total of 398,406 or 94·07 to the square mile, of whom Hindus numbered 364,402 or 91·46 per cent; Musalmáns 21,755 or 5·46 per cent; Christians 12,189 or 3·05 per cent; Jews 35; and Pársis 25. Compared with the 1872 returns the 1881 returns show an increase of 23,434 or 5·88 per cent.

Birth-place.

Of 421,840 (males 223,005, females 198,835) the total population, 372,805 (males 192,826, females 179,979) or 88·37 per cent were born in the district. Of the 49,035 who were not born in the district 17,232 were born in Dhárwár; 7172 in Madras; 6700 in Belgaum; 6582 in Goa, Daman, and Diu; 4125 in Maisur; 2896 in the Southern Marátha States; 1815 in Ratnágiri; 801 in Kaládgi; 267 in Sholápur; 189 in Sátára; 146 in Poona; 44 in Ahmadnagar; 117 in Bombay; 179 in Gujarát; and 770 in other parts of India and outside of India.

Language.

Of 421,840, the total population, 244,895 (130,270 males, 114,625 females) or 58·05 per cent spoke Kánarese. Of the remaining 176,945 persons, 152,774 or 36·21 per cent spoke Maráthi; 17,458 or 4·13 per cent spoke Hindustáni; 4275 or 1·01 spoke Telugu; 703 spoke Gujaráti; 624 spoke Hindi; 316 spoke Malayáli; 229 spoke Portuguese-Konkani or Goanese; 215 spoke Tulu; 180 spoke Tamil; 95 spoke English; 26 spoke Kodgi or Coorg; 23 spoke Arabic; 17 spoke Chinese; 7 spoke Persian; 2 spoke Panjábí; and one spoke German.

The following table gives the number of each religious class according to sex at different ages, with, at each stage, the percentage on the total population of the same sex and religion. The columns referring to the total population omit religious distinctions, but show the difference of sex:

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Kánara Population by Age, 1881.

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Age.	HINDUS.				MUSALMA'NS.			
	Males.	Percentage on total Males.	Females.	Percentage on total Females.	Males.	Percentage on total Males.	Females.	Percentage on total Females.
Up to 1 year ...	4872	2.40	4811	2.07	205	2.39	302	2.52
1 to 4 years ...	17,464	8.60	18,386	10.19	1178	9.53	1148	9.68
5 to 9 ...	28,093	13.84	26,205	14.54	1938	15.72	1762	14.71
10 to 14 ...	21,647	10.62	17,083	9.48	1603	12.21	1201	10.03
15 to 19 ...	16,980	8.37	15,409	8.60	915	7.43	923	7.70
20 to 24 ...	19,660	9.69	19,063	10.57	1033	8.39	1180	9.85
25 to 29 ...	23,303	11.51	20,190	11.20	1186	9.63	1281	10.60
30 to 34 ...	20,838	10.27	16,377	9.00	1216	9.88	1134	9.47
35 to 39 ...	14,983	7.38	9650	5.35	811	6.58	597	4.93
40 to 49 ...	18,669	9.23	14,667	8.13	1106	8.98	1107	9.24
50 to 54 ...	6661	3.43	7164	3.97	423	3.43	548	4.57
55 to 59 ...	3239	1.62	3337	1.85	237	1.92	229	1.91
Above 60 years ...	6115	3.01	7761	4.30	474	3.85	562	4.69
Total ...	202,844		180,153		12,308		11,974	

Age.	CHRISTIANS.				OTHERS.				TOTAL.			
	Males.	Percentage on total Males.	Females.	Percentage on total Females.	Males.	Percentage on total Males.	Females.	Percentage on total Females.	Males.	Percentage on total Males.	Females.	Percentage on total Females.
Up to 1 year ...	199	2.54	199	2.97	1	3.22	...	...	5867	2.40	5312	2.67
1 to 4 years ...	707	9.03	737	11.02	5	16.12	3	14.28	19,349	8.67	20,254	10.13
5 to 9 ...	1079	13.79	1013	15.14	4	12.90	4	19.04	31,112	13.95	23,984	14.57
10 to 14 ...	795	10.16	699	10.45	6	16.12	3	14.28	23,850	10.69	18,986	9.64
15 to 19 ...	613	7.83	562	8.40	...	...	3	14.28	18,508	8.29	16,987	8.54
20 to 24 ...	768	9.80	703	10.51	2	6.45	...	...	21,463	9.62	20,936	10.62
25 to 29 ...	895	11.44	757	11.31	2	6.45	2	9.52	25,446	11.41	22,230	11.18
30 to 34 ...	886	11.07	687	8.77	3	9.67	1	4.76	22,923	10.27	18,099	9.10
35 to 39 ...	596	7.62	828	4.87	4	12.90	4	19.04	16,394	7.35	10,577	5.81
40 to 49 ...	751	9.60	509	7.61	3	9.67	...	...	20,529	9.26	16,273	8.18
50 to 54 ...	269	3.43	217	3.24	1	3.22	1	4.76	7654	3.43	7930	3.98
55 to 59 ...	95	1.21	90	1.34	1	3.22	...	...	3632	1.64	8956	1.83
Above 60 years ...	189	2.41	288	4.30	...	...	...	...	6778	3.03	8611	4.33
Total ...	7822		6087		81		21		223,005		198,836	

The following table shows the proportion of the people of the district who are unmarried, married, and widowed:

Kánara Marriage Details, 1881.

	HINDUS.													
	Under ten.		Ten to fourteen.		Fifteen to nineteen.		Twenty to twenty-four.		Twenty-five to twenty-nine.		Thirty and over.		Total.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
Unmarried ...	50,098	46,731	20,419	7179	13,608	1217	10,501	867	6699	695	5512	1713	106,837	58,402
Married ...	321	2568	1089	9876	3268	12,925	8723	15,456	15,562	14,680	54,540	22,478	83,503	77,483
Widowed ...	10	83	39	528	104	1357	436	2730	1102	4815	10,813	34,756	12,504	44,268
	MUSALMA'NS.													
	Under ten.		Ten to fourteen.		Fifteen to nineteen.		Twenty to twenty-four.		Twenty-five to twenty-nine.		Thirty and over.		Total.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
Unmarried ...	3381	3127	1402	842	618	131	650	52	872	19	316	40	6999	4211
Married ...	22	84	89	351	94	743	381	1020	782	1063	3490	1897	4791	5163
Widowed ...	1	1	2	8	3	44	19	108	32	199	461	2240	519	2600

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	CHRISTIANS.													
	Under ten.		Ten to fourteen.		Fifteen to nineteen.		Twenty to twenty-four.		Twenty-five to twenty-nine.		Thirty and over.		Total.	
	Males.	Fe- males.	Males.	Fe- males.	Males.	Fe- males.	Males.	Fe- males.	Males.	Fe- males.	Males.	Fe- males.	Males.	Fe- males.
Unmarried.	1980	1932	790	618	556	160	491	85	298	45	243	63	4348	2907
Married ...	5	15	15	82	55	862	266	558	571	582	2258	866	3170	2463
Widowed...	...	2	...	4	2	81	11	62	26	150	265	1088	304	1317
	OTHERS.													
	Under ten.		Ten to fourteen.		Fifteen to nineteen.		Twenty to twenty-four.		Twenty-five to twenty-nine.		Thirty and over.		Total.	
	Males.	Fe- males.	Males.	Fe- males.	Males.	Fe- males.	Males.	Fe- males.	Males.	Fe- males.	Males.	Fe- males.	Males.	Fe- males.
Unmarried.	10	7	5	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	1	18	12
Married ...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	2	2	8	4	12	8
Widowed...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	1

Occupation.

According to occupation the 1881 census returns divide the population into six classes :

- I.—Employed under Government service, learned professions, literature, and arts, numbering in all 6565 souls or 1·55 per cent of the entire population.
- II.—Persons engaged in domestic service, 5931 or 1·40 per cent.
- III.—In trade and commerce, 4436 or 1·05 per cent.
- IV.—In agriculture, 150,202 or 35·60 per cent.
- V.—In crafts and industries, 30,814 or 7·30 per cent.
- VI.—In indefinite and unproductive occupation including children, 223,892 or 53·07 per cent.

BRÁHMANS.

Brahmans, according to the 1881 census, included seventeen classes with a strength of 62,313 or 14·77 per cent of the Hindu population. Of these, ten classes with a strength of 42,432 were Dravid or southern Bráhmans, and seven with a strength of 19,881 were Gaud or northern.

The following statement shows the divisions and the strength of each of these main groups :

Dravid and Gaud Bráhmans, 1881.

DIVISION.	STRENGTH.			DIVISION.	STRENGTH.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.		Males.	Females.	Total.
<i>Dravid.</i>				<i>Gaud.</i>			
1. Havigs ...	20,649	19,061	39,710	1. Sáashtkúrs ...	4563	4295	8858
2. Chitpávans...	448	406	854	2. Shenvis ...	4439	4310	8799
3. Deshaethas ...	392	209	601	3. Kushaethalis ...	595	536	1131
4. Karnátaks ...	236	260	555	4. Bárdeskúrs ...	340	317	667
5. Karháds ...	185	204	389	5. Kudáldeskúrs ...	167	157	324
6. Kot Bráhmans	111	102	213	6. Pednekúrs ...	45	57	102
7. Joishis ...	55	41	96	7. Kanojas ...	9	1	10
8. Saklápúris ...	6	4	9	Total ...	10,208	9,673	19,881
9. A'ndhras ...	3	2	5	GRAND TOTAL ...	32,342	20,971	62,313
10. Shivallis ...							
Total ...	22,134	20,298	42,432				

Havigs.

Havig Bráhmans, numbering 39,710 (20,649 males, 19,061 females) are found in all parts of the district, but chiefly in Honávar, Kumba, Sirsi, Siddápur, Yellápur, and Supa. They live in hilly villages on plots of land suited for the growth of cardamoms, pepper and betelnut, which require much water and rich manure. The chief centres of the caste are, Agrahár, Sáلكod, Hosákuli, and Karki